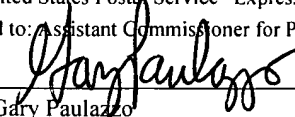


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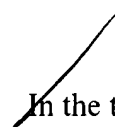
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, the following amendments are respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

 In the title, please delete "AND METHOD".